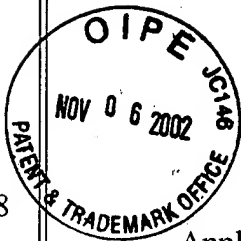


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**AMENDMENT AND
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of the United States Patent and Trademark Office mailed on May 3, 2002, the time for response to which having been extended for three months from August 3, 2002, to and including November 3, 2002, by the accompanying Petition. Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add claims 30-34:

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--30. (New) A method of manufacturing an ink cartridge for use in an ink jet recorder, comprising the steps of:

providing a container including a chamber for accommodating ink therein, and an ink injection port communicating with the chamber;

injecting ink into the chamber through the ink injection port;

thereafter depressurizing the chamber;

thereafter sealing the ink injection port; and

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